

Replication information for “The Lost Generation? Labor Market Outcomes for Post Great Recession Entrants”

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This document describes the replication archive for the above paper. The complete archive contains the original public-use data files and Stata code used to generate the results of the paper, as well as all created log files, figures, and results. It does not include intermediate data files, though these can be recreated from what is here.

The “documentation” folder of the archive contains several file lists, organized by file type, by directory, and by relationship (concordance). Each file list describes where the file is located and includes a checksum.

The “replication” folder tree includes all other files. The “project.ado” utility was used to manage this project, and must be installed in order to run the other programs. The main program is “GRscarring.do.” Other programs, along with their associated logs, are in the “programs” subtree. The “rawdata” subtree includes all raw data, including 40 years of CPS monthly samples. Smaller versions of the archive may be created and distributed without the CPS data, which are all public use and available on the web.¹ The “results” subtree includes all results.

To reproduce all results, follow these steps:

- Unpackage the archive into a single directory.
- Install the “project” Stata add-on, available from SSC and included with this archive.
- Ensure that all subdirectories have been created – the structure is listed below.
- Using a GUI version of Stata, use the “project, setup” command, and within the dialog box point to the “GRscarring_replication.do” program.
- Execute the replication by typing “project GRscarring_replication, build” at the Stata prompt, or as a shell command.

Users are encouraged to contact me at rothstein@berkeley.edu with any questions.

¹ The Census Bureau frequently changes where these files are located. They can be obtained from NBER, at <https://www.nber.org/research/data/current-population-survey-cps-basic-monthly-data>.

Directory structure:

<home>

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intermediatedata/  
programs/  
  analysis/  
  fromNBER/  
  prepare/  
rawdata/  
  IPUMS/  
  readrawcps/  
    cpssupplemental/  
results/  
scratch/
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← Must be created manually; files in this directory
are not distributed with the archive.